

## BURGLAR FISHED THROUGH WINDOW FOR EMPTY PANTS

**Dropped Garment in Disgust When He Found Pockets Changeless.**

**Thief Works All Night Carrying Coal.**

**LEAVING ONLY FEW CHUNKS.**

It was a cold-hearted thief that visited the coal house of Ed F. Hogedorn, 1620 Jones street, last night and stole a load of coal, leaving only a few lumps for the owner to realize that his coal bin was filled at one time. Yesterday Mr. Hogedorn had 25 bushels of coal placed in his coal house, and yesterday afternoon he carried in about a bushel of coal for use last night. This morning when he went to the coal house to replenish the supply for the house, he found only a few lumps of the black diamonds to tell the tale. No wagon tracks were evident and it is believed that the thief worked several hours carrying off the fuel. Mr. Hogedorn ordered another load of coal today, and has loaded his shotgun for another visit of the thief.

### His Trousers Missing.

When Claude Humphries, 1834 Guthrie avenue, awoke this morning and began to dress, he discovered that his trousers were missing. A search of the room was made, and then they were discovered on the ground near a window, where a thief had abandoned them. The window was raised and other evidence showed that the thief had stood outside the room and with a pole fished out the jeans. However, his cunning was unrewarded, for Mr. Humphries had removed his money from his pockets. He is employed at the Illinois Central shops and evidently the thief thought he would make a haul.

### Frightened Away.

Burglars tried to enter the residence of Mrs. A. Slayden, 1011 Jackson street, but were frightened away. A hole was cut through a screen door, but the men were frightened away before more work was accomplished.

### Nicholson Promoted.

Washington, Dec. 16.—The president sent to the senate today the nomination of Captain Reginald F. Nicholson to be chief of the bureau of navigation with the rank of rear admiral.

### Burton Smith Shoots Self.

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 16.—Burton C. Smith, a prominent young man, committed suicide at Lebanon, Tenn., today by shooting himself through the forehead. Dependence is supposed to have been the cause of the act.

### 300,000 Idle Cars in Use.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Dec. 16.—Colorado Springs, Colo., was selected today for the semi-annual session in June, 1910, of the Association of Transportation and Car Accounting Officers of the United States, Canada and Mexico. Reports to the association today showed that 300,000 freight cars idle last winter are now in use.

### Things Assault Indiana Stock Buyer.

Plymouth, Ind., Dec. 16.—Joseph Tinkelman, a stock buyer, arrived from Chicago last night and took a short cut to his hotel, through a dark street. He was accosted by three men whose command "Hands Up!" Tinkelman obeyed, but was followed by a blow with a sling shot from behind. He was kicked and bruised, and robbed of \$1,165 cash.

### CHAMPION GOLFERS TO MEET

**Aggregation of Amateurs and Professionals in Atlanta Tourney.**

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 16.—Three former open champions and a score of other professionals of the highest class have gathered in Atlanta for the first Atlanta open event, which begins here tomorrow morning. The ex-champs are Willie Anderson, Fred McLeod and Alex Smith. Jack Croak, former Nashville professional; C. Hall, formerly of Memphis, now of Nashville; and W. C. Sherwood of Memphis are among the good players on hand.

## Chicago Market.

	May	High	Low	Close
Wheat	1.11 1/2	1.09 3/4	1.11 3/4	
Corn	.66	.65 1/2	.66	
Oats	.44 1/2	.44	.44 1/2	
Provisions	22.05	21.70	22.03	
Lard	12.10	12.00	12.10	
Ribs	11.60	11.45	11.57	

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Tulsa, Okla., Dec. 16.—Two cracksmen were blown to pieces by nitro-glycerine with which they intended to break safes. The mangled bodies of two men and a dog were found along the bank of the Arkansas river two miles below here. The bodies were lying at the brink of a big hole blown in the earth by a terrific explosion, which from its action, experts believe to have been nitro-glycerine. Imbedded in the bottom of the hole were burglar tools. Officers believe the men planned a bank robbery here and hid along the bank of the river and the nitro-glycerine accidentally exploded. They may be robbers of other banks in Oklahoma recently.

### Get \$6,000.

Fresno, Cal., Dec. 16.—Three daring cracksmen looted the First National bank at Exeter, Tulare county, early today and escaped with \$6,000 in gold. The bandits broke open the bank vault with a sledge and stole from a blacksmith shop. In their haste they forgot the bag into which they had poured \$650 in gold. They escaped in a light spring wagon and, it is believed, started toward Fresno. A posse, heavily armed, is in pursuit.

### Tom McGregor in Town.

Thomas B. McGregor, third assistant attorney general, was in the city today greeting his friends. He is en route from the state capital to Benton, his home, to spend several days.

### KILLS WIFE OVER TRIFLE.

**She Asked Him for a Knife—Her Father Also Attacked.**

Cattletown, Ky., Dec. 16.—With the words "I will give you all of the knife you want," Thomas Workman today plunged the weapon into the body of his wife, who had asked him for the loan of the knife to peel an apple. Workman then turned on her father, Samuel Bellamy, and cut him. Both are expected to die.

Workman's father, while an inmate of an asylum, drowned himself.

### DUKE JOHANN WEDES.

**Bride Is Princess Elizabeth of Stolberg.**

Brunswick, Duchy of Brunswick, December 16.—The wedding of Duke Johann Albrecht, of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, and Princess Elizabeth of Stolberg, was celebrated today in the presence of the emperor and empress, the king and queen of Bulgaria, Prince Henry, of the Netherlands, and many members of the royal household of Germany and the Austrian, Italian and British ambassadors. The honeymoon will be spent in the far east and will include a visit to the king of Siam.

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**SWALLOWED BURR.**  
A peculiar accident happened to Maurice Hinkley, 14 years old, this morning, while he was out rabbit hunting near his home near Maxon's Mill. He was walking through a field when he rubbed his face with his coat sleeve. A cockle burr was on the sleeve, and he got it into his mouth, and he swallowed it. The burr lodged in the larynx. He was brought to the city for a throat specialist to remove the burr.

## WOMAN SLEEPS ON CITY HALL BENCH

**NO ONE THOUGHT TO SEND HER TO "REST" ON SOUTH SEVENTH STREET.**

Never was the need of the Charity organization's "rest room" more clearly shown than last night when Mrs. Mary Johnson, of Jopka, Ill., arrived in Paducah, helpless, moneyless, friendless and in a delicate condition. And, yet, although the rest room is established, a trained nurse is on duty all the time, and the newspaper has heralded the fact all over the city, the existence of the rest room at 214 South Seventh street was forgotten, and the woman was allowed to spend the night on a hard bench in the city hall. This morning she was sent to Cairo by boat.

The first notice received by the charity organization was an article in a local newspaper this morning, complaining because there was no place to care for just such cases. Miss Mahoney, the district nurse, went at once to the police headquarters to ascertain if the woman was still in the city, and take care of her, but the woman had been sent away. Had the "rest," which has a telephone, been called up last night, the woman would have been provided with a comfortable bed in a room and taken care of properly.

### Road Supervisor Returns.

County Road Supervisor John R. Thompson and Mrs. Thompson returned early this morning from Hot Springs, where they have been for several weeks. Mrs. Thompson has been ill and took the baths. Her condition is improved.

### No Hope For Miners

Negaunee, Mich., Dec. 16.—There is no hope of saving the lives of four miners buried Tuesday by the falling ground in the Negaunee mine. Water from the old workings has flooded the drifts and it may be two weeks before a rescue party can get to the place where the men are buried.

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In a nutshell that was the speed limit of justice yesterday morning that was meted out to Frank Walton, colored, a roustabout who stole clothing from another roustabout at the wharfboat. Patrolman Andy Stewart handcuffed him and took him to police headquarters, where a warrant was issued. Before Walton took another breath (and he was breathing rapidly) he had been held to answer by Police Judge D. A. Cross.

Scene second saw the negro standing before the county judge and before he knew it he was tried, sentenced and lodged in jail. Today he has served one day out of the ninety he got for a Christmas present.

### Will Go to Porto Rico.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Secretary Dickinson next Tuesday will sail for Porto Rico to gain knowledge of the actual conditions on the island.

### CHICAGO WOLF HUNT IN HEART OF THE CITY

Chicago, Dec. 16.—The wolf which hovers about a poor man's door, had a narrow escape from violence early today. Samuel Rosenthal came home just before daylight to find a large gray timber wolf on the front porch. He tried to pet the animal, thinking it was a dog, but the wolf snapped off one of Rosenthal's fingers. Rosenthal objected and the wolf transferred its attention to his leg, taking a nip out of the calf. Rosenthal got a revolver and pursued the wolf and a regularly organized wolf hunt followed. The wolf is still at large. It escaped from Lincoln park yesterday.

## NEW MACHINERY FOR BETTIE OWEN TO BE PURCHASED

**Owners Leave For Cincinnati and Pittsburgh Tomorrow Morning.**

**Decks of Boat Will be Extended.**

**FERRY WILL HAVE NEW NAME.**

Mr. Charles Robertson, secretary and treasurer of the Paducah and Illinois Ferry company, operating the steamer Bettie Owen, accompanied by Ed Hart, chief engineer of the company, will leave at 1:30 o'clock tomorrow morning for Cincinnati and Pittsburgh, where they will purchase new machinery for the ferryboat to cost between \$2,500 and \$3,000. The machinery will be sent here as soon as possible and be installed on the ferryboat along with the new boilers. Other improvements are to be made. Since the company has obtained an amendment to the ferry franchise from the city, permitting it to operate the Bettie Owen between Paducah and Livingston point, in addition to Brookport and Owen's landing, it has been decided to make the ferryboat modern in every respect. Negotiations are now being made for a boat to operate while the improvements are being made on the Bettie. However, she will continue in her trade until after the holidays. The total cost of the improvements will amount to about \$5,000, according to Mr. Robertson. New boilers will give her more power, while the machinery will enable her to make quicker time between her ports. The boiler deck was extended aft to the stern some time ago, and it is the intention of the owners to extend the deck forward to the bow. Then there will be shelter over every portion of the lower deck. The hull of the boat is in good condition and she will be as fast as most of the local packets.

While the improvements are under way application will be made to the government for the privilege of changing the name of the ferryboat. The owners have not decided upon a name, but are considering several to take the place of "Bettie Owen."

## LIVELY BIDDING MARKS TOBACCO SALES TODAY

Sales at Bohmer's auction house today amounted to 35,000 pounds with no rejections. Bidding was spirited. The high price was \$9.80 a hundred, and the low \$4.70. Sales tomorrow.

### Association Sales.

Tobacco sales were held yesterday at the Planters' Protective association salesroom and a good price was received for the weed. There were 10 hogheads sold at the following prices: One sold at \$13; two at \$12; two at \$11.50; two at \$11, and three at \$10. The buyers were Smith & Scott and M. B. Nash.

### INDIANS AFTER CHICAGO.

**Coach Stag Will Decide at Foot Conference Next Week.**

Chicago, Dec. 16.—Football coaches and managers of the conference schools will meet here a week from tomorrow to settle definitely the inter-collegiate turmoil over next season's battles. The question of Michigan games and problems bearing on the continuance of friendly schedule problem took another tack up for decision. Coach Stagg's schedule problem took another tack when he received a plea from Carlisle for a battle. The Indians want to appear at Marshall Field on one of the big dates and Coach Stagg says he will consider the request in view of the fact that they have adopted eligibility rules since they beat the Chicago team two years ago. Coach Stagg's best offer outside the conference are now Carlisle and the navy.

### SNEAK THIEF RAIDS WADE BROWN'S HOUSE

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 16.—Some sneak thief entered the house of Wade Brown some time Monday afternoon and stole a lot of silver spoons and table linen. Mr. Brown lives at 615 Todd street in South Frankfort and his wife is in Paducah on a visit. He leaves home for his work early in the morning and does not return till six in the evening. When he returned Monday evening he found a back window raised and a number of valuable articles missing. No clue has been secured so far as to the thieves, but every effort will be made to locate them.

## King Leopold, of Belgium, Sinking But Refuses in Rational Moments to be Reconciled to His Daughters

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Brussels, Dec. 16.—King Leopold fainted several times last night, and today is growing steadily weaker. His occasional rallies are of constant changing from a state of indifference to increasing depression. The report that Leopold is the victim of "progressive paralysis" is confirmed today. Cardinal Mercier is constantly present, trying to bring pressure to have him relent toward his two estranged daughters, Princesses Louise and Stephanie, and grant them a final interview.

So far Leopold is adamant to all entreaties. His treatment of his daughters has caused a wave of resentment and the public is rapidly changing from a state of indifference to open hostility. Princess Stephanie has called at the "Palms" several times to see her father but attendants are under orders not to admit her. One of the king's physicians in an unguarded moment, ventured that the king was greatly concerned over his wicked life, and is repenting. It is believed that will develop into leniency for his daughters.

### Y. M. C. A. Buys a Lot.

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 16.—After skirmishing for several weeks the promoters of the Y. M. C. A. building today bought the McWhorter lot, adjoining their grounds on Seventh avenue, for \$17,000, and will erect their \$200,000 building on it. The lot is exactly opposite that on which the Woman's Christian Association building is now going up.

### Esther Chapter Installs.

The installation of officers of the Esther chapter of the Eastern Star was held last night in the Fraternity and a large attendance was present. Eastern Star jewels were presented to Mrs. Laura Gideon, the retiring worthy matron and Mr. Charles H. Muenster, the retiring worthy patron by E. W. Whittemore, grand worthy patron, on behalf of the lodge.

### Will Spend \$500,000 On School.

Oklahoma City, Okla., Dec. 16.—The board of trustees of the M. E. church south, that is empowered to expend \$500,000 in the erection and equipment of a school for girls in Oklahoma City, organized today and discussed plans that have been drawn for a \$100,000 conservatory, an administration building, science hall, library, two dining halls, six dormitories, president's home, auditorium, etc. The board consists of Dr. A. C. Enoch, Oklahoma City; Rev. H. C. Garrett, El Reno; W. W. Robertson, Oklahoma City, and Dr. J. M. Postell, Oklahoma.

## PRAIRIE STARTS FOR SCENE OF WAR

### CRUISER WITH HER COMPLEMENT OF MARINES AND OFFICERS GETS AWAY.

Philadelphia, Dec. 16.—Following the receipt of sailing orders from the navy department late last night, the auxiliary cruiser Prairie, carrying 700 marines, equipment and a large complement of officers, bound for Nicaragua, pulled away from the dock at the navy yard today and steamed down the Delaware, trying for the second time to carry her heavy load of Uncle Sam's fighting men past the shoals of the lower bay, where it stuck fast in the mud two weeks ago. Her destination is Colon, Panama, where the marines will be landed to join those preparing for possible campaign upon Zelaya.

### MAE WOOD IN TOMBS.

**Willing to Stand Trial for Perjury Against Senator Platt.**

New York, Dec. 16.—Mae C. Wood appeared unexpectedly in the court of general sessions and announced that she was ready to stand trial under an indictment charging her with perjury in her breach of promise suit against former Senator Thomas C. Platt.

She was placed under arrest upon motion of the surety company which furnished her \$5,000, but which announced that it wanted to surrender her. Although the court reduced her bail to \$1,000, Miss Wood was unable to secure a new bond and was sent to the Tombs to await trial.

**KNOX CAUSED RIOT.**  
New Orleans, La., Dec. 16.—Reports from Managua by way of Bluefields, say scenes of disorder followed the publication in the capital of Knox's letter to the Charge d' Affaires. Estrada sympathizers marched the streets, hooting and yelling and shouting for the United States and liberty. A copy of the letter was posted on plate glass and displayed at the capital. It was torn down by Zeledon layan sympathizers and the mob set on them and severely injured them.

## LAWRENCE BOOMS SEN. M'CREARY

**SIGNIFICANT MOVE OF ONE OF BECKHAM'S CLOSE POLITICAL FRIENDS.**

Cadiz, Ky., Dec. 16. (Special.)—The Cadiz Record, edited by Henry Lawrence, former adjutant general and speaker of the house, booms Senator McCreary for governor. Lawrence is a great friend of Beckham.

### No Clew in Kellner Case.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 16. (Special.)—There are no new clews in the Kellner case despite the fact that the \$3,000 are now being offered.

### Small Fire at Hickman.

Hickman, Ky., Dec. 16.—Last night at 7 o'clock, fire broke out in the house occupied by Lon Ray and family in West Hickman. The family being away, Mr. Ray built a fire when coming in from his work, and then went over to a neighbor's for a few minutes. The whole interior of the house was on fire when discovered, and all the household contents were completely destroyed. The city hose were frozen up and it was some time before they could get water on the house from that source. The house was the property of Mrs. E. Case, and valued at about \$1,100. Mr. Ray had very little insurance on contents.

### Deny They Killed Rankin.

Union City, Tenn., Dec. 16.—Considerable progress was made in the trial of Garrett Johnson and Arthur Clow, charged with the murder of Capt. Quintin Rankin. Garrett Johnson was the first one put on the stand. He denied knowing anything at all about the murder of Captain Rankin, or of any night riding; said he had never seen them and knew nothing at all about them. Arthur Clow denied knowing anything about the murder of Captain Rankin and the attempt to assassinate Colonel Taylor. He admitted to being present one night at George Jordan's, and said they took their masks along and put them on when they arrived at Jordan's field, but that he did not consider that night riding. He said on cross-examination that he never shot a gun in his life, and knew nothing at all about one.

## COUNTY UNIT LAW IN INDIANA IS UPHELD

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 16.—The Indiana supreme court today declared the county local option law constitutional. Judges rendered a dissenting opinion.

### SHOPLIFTER CAUGHT IN THE TEN CENT STORE

Lillie Gray, alias Dunlap, was arrested by Patrolman Henry Seamon at Kirby's ten cent store, at 10:30 o'clock this morning. The woman had in her possession several pairs of hosiery, a toy doll, cat, and other Christmas goods. She was detected by one of the clerks and held until the policeman arrived. She was locked up in the city jail on a charge of petit larceny.

## The Weather

Forecast for Paducah and vicinity: Rain or snow tonight and Friday; warmer tonight and colder Friday in western portion. Highest temperature today was 41 and the lowest was 27. Sun rose today 7:13. Moon sets today 4:39. Moon sets (a. m.) 8:23.

## DR. WILSON WILL ARRIVE TONIGHT TO LECTURE HERE

**Interesting Meeting at Temple Israel, Seventh and Broadway**

**Stereopticon Exposition of Tuberculosis.**

**KENTUCKY IS LAGGING BEHIND.**

"Tuberculosis in Kentucky, Its Prevention and Its Cure," will be the subject of Dr. Dunning S. Wilson's lecture this evening at Temple Israel, Seventh street and Broadway. Dr. Wilson will arrive here from his home in Louisville this evening at 6:10 o'clock and a committee from the McCracken County Medical society, under whose auspices he is coming here to lecture, will meet him at Union station. He will go direct to the Palmer House.

A physician said: "Paducah should turn out tonight to hear what Dr. Wilson has to tell along the lines of the fight against the great white plague. He has pointers that people probably have never considered, and should everyone follow his directions the extermination of the disease would be only a matter of time. Kentucky, which physicians are almost ashamed to admit, ranks next to the last in the union, having next to the largest percentage of tuberculosis. Tennessee ranks just a fraction behind this state."

"Dr. Wilson is not a novice along the line of fighting tuberculosis. He is one of the most prominent physicians of Louisville and has been active for a number of years in lecturing far and wide upon the very subject he will talk on this evening. He has been most active in aiding the organization of anti-tuberculosis societies throughout the state and his efforts are expected to bring forth results before a great while. He is a pleasing speaker and will hold the attention of his audience."

Permanent organization of the anti-tuberculosis society of the McCracken County Medical association is near, and Dr. Wilson's talk tonight will be a valuable source of information for the physicians of the city and county, as well as the public. The county society has started a fund for the fight against the disease and has several hundred dollars on hand. Different plans are being considered for the enlargement of the fund, out of which the city and county hopes to jointly erect a tuberculosis ward for city and county patients.

### County Claims Payable.

A large number of claims of the county's indebtedness have been allowed by the fiscal court and the warrants are at the county clerk's office waiting for the creditors to call and get them. County Court Clerk E. G. Boone asks that all of the creditors call and get their checks, so that he may get them out of the way preparatory to turning the office over to his successor.

### May Adopt Rugby.

Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 16.—At a meeting of the Inter-Collegiate association of Western Pennsylvania and West Virginia, the first final collegiate action looking to the adoption of American football and the rules are radically changed was taken. In the association are Washington and Jefferson, University of West Virginia, Geneva, Grove City and Allegheny Colleges.

### B. & O. HEAD MAY RETIRE.

Daniel Willard Mentioned for Presidency of Road.  
New York, Dec. 16.—It was reported in financial circles today that when President Murray, of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad retires he will be succeeded by Daniel Willard, one of the vice presidents of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy. Confirmation was lacking.

### WOMAN'S ACCIDENT MYSTERY.

Husband of Mrs. Anna Cummins is Unable to Explain.  
Oakland, Cal., Dec. 16.—W. F. Cummins, manager of the North American Ribbon and Carbon company, whose wife, Mrs. Anna Lee Cummins, was reported to have been dragged and left unconscious in the streets of Monterey Monday night, is at a loss to explain her plight. Mrs. Cummins is a national officer of the Order of the Eastern Star and has traveled all over the country in her official capacity. She was also for years secretary of the Young Women's Christian association of St. Louis. Cummins married her November 4, last, in Kansas City, Mo.